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Re: Jane Gibson

(Luella Marshall - Newspaper stories Nov.18,1922)

Operative made a search of the newspaper files of 1922 at the New Jersey State Library and in the files of the State Gazette found the following article.

"Pig Woman gave tip in Marshall Case."

Told police of conversation she overheard in the famous murder here. Proved of no value.

"Mrs. Jane Gibson the 'Pig woman' who is figuring prominently in the famous Hall-Mills case at New Brunswick, was never shy about furnishing the police with information concerning murder cases. Ten years ago she gave the local authorities what she thought was valuable information in the slaying of Miss Luella Marshall, who died in the Mercer Hospital following an attack along the Pennington Road, just beyond the odd fellows home.

"Mrs. Gibson, who kept a store and furnished rooming house on South Broad St. below Market St. overheard a conversation about the Marshall case and reported the same to both the local and County authorities. The police say the information she gave was of no value to them. While she was owner of the store here some articles were stolen from her. She appealed to the police, and Sergeant Hebuer, who was then a patrolman was sent to Bucks County with her to recover the plunder.

The following story appeared in the Trenton Evening Times of Nov.18,1922.

"Mrs. Gibson, tipster in Marshall murder.

Information in murder cases is not a new role for Mrs. Jane Gibson, whose testimony is playing so important a part in the sensational Hall-Mills slaying. Mrs. Gibson, who lived in Trenton before going to New Brunswick, her last address here being 338 South Broad Street, where she kept a second-hand store and rooming house, was among those who offered aid to the city authorities in solving the mystery of the brutal and fatal attack on Miss Luella Marshall along the Pennington Road about 10 years ago. Mrs. Gibson reported a conversation relative to the death of Miss Marshall, which she claimed to have heard, but her information is said to have been proved valueless. A short time after the incident she moved from Trenton."

Operative interviewed Capt. Clancy, who is now retired and working as special officer in the Mechanic's Bank. He was the Police Captain at the time Mrs. Gibson reported the conversation. He stated that there is nothing to it, Detective Pilger had been to see Mrs. Gibson and asked her if she knew anything about a certain woman who was rooming in her house at 338 South Broad St. This woman was known to have been a friend of Miss Marshall's and was living in Mrs. Gibson's furnished rooming house. Detective Pilger told Mrs. Gibson to keep her ears open and she might hear something from

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